

## West Linn Library Advisory Board Minutes

Wednesday, March 16, 2022

West Linn Public Library- Community Room & Zoom a hybrid meeting

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**Present members:** Library Advisory Board (LAB) members: Janet Dalgaard, Emily Hogan, Rebecca Cassidy, Rachael Hyde, Matt Brown & Martha Swanson

**Absent:** Jan Boyd (*excused*)

Councilor Rory Bialostosky, Liaison to the Library Advisory Board (*excused*)

**Staff present:** Doug Erickson, Director of Library & Community Services

Melanie Nelson, Library Operations Supervisor/Assistant to the Director

Sarah Flathman, Youth Services Library Manager

Rick Peterson, Library Manager

**Call to order:** Janet Dalgaard called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

**Minutes review:** 02.16.2022 Rebecca Cassidy moved to approve & Martha Swanson 2<sup>nd</sup>. Minutes approved with no edits or changes. 6:0

**Agenda review:** No additions or edits to agenda

**Public Comment:** None

**Library Update:** Doug Erickson, Director of Library & Community Services: Doug was happy to announce that Rachael Hyde will be representing the West Linn Library as the LDAC Representative.

- Library Updates & programs:
  - Story Walk- With the generosity of the West Linn Library Foundation, the Library will be installing a Story Walk at one of the Parks in West Linn. A Story Walk is a fun, educational activity that places a children's story (literally a book taken apart) along a popular walking route in your community. The library is looking to install at Field's Bridge Park, but no final decision has been made. The library would like to thank the Holly Grace Jones Endowment for their generosity & funding this project.
  - Tales to Tails- We are excited to announce our reading program for kids to read with dogs is starting up in May. Traditionally the program takes a break over the Summer. Otto the Library Dog will be retiring after 7 years of good deeds at the library. Booker, Otto's brother will be stepping in to participate in the Tales to Tails program. Booker & Melanie

will be attending their Pet Partner's Team exam this weekend. Booker will then be a registered Therapy dog like Otto.

- Adult Programs- Doug & Rick reported on two new Adult programming- Adult Book Club bundles & Adult Writing class with Ellen Santasiero, both programs are sponsored by the West Linn Library Foundation.
- Juneteenth Celebration-is now a Federal, State & City Holiday. The City of West Linn will be hosting a celebration Juneteenth on Sunday, June 19<sup>th</sup>. The City offices & buildings will be closed on Monday, June 20<sup>th</sup> to observe the holiday.
- Discussion of updated Library Strategic Goals- The updated layout for strategic goals 2022-2024 was passed out. A digital copy was emailed to virtual attendees
- Decision of date, times & frequency- After a few discussions over the last few meetings. It was agreed on that it was best for the Library Advisory Board members meet on the THIRD TUESDAY of the month. Also changed was to meet EVERY other month, with the understanding that if an urgent matter arises, a meeting may be called. Starting Tuesday, May 17<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm. LAB meetings will be every third Tuesday every OTHER month. An agenda, invite & the city website will be updated at least 10 days prior to the meeting. Passed 6:0

**Foundation Update:** Doug reported that the Library Foundation at their last meeting approved funding for:

\*Story Walk in a Park

\*Archway of Books for entry into the Book Nook

Doug also reported that the Foundation will be holding a fundraiser May 5<sup>th</sup> at the West Linn Ale & Cider House in Willamette- more info to come.

**Board Comments:** None

**Adjourn:** Rebecca Cassidy moved to adjourn & Martha Swanson seconded. Meeting adjourned 5:40pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Melanie Nelson

Library Operation Supervisor/Assistant to the Director

03.17.2022

**Next meeting Wednesday, May 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm**

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